

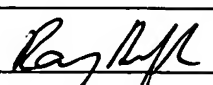
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	Filing Date	April 22, 2005	
	Inventor(s)	Reinhold OTT	
	Group Art Unit	Unassigned	
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CONF.: 8372  
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING  
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Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.494 or 37 C.F.R. § 1.495, attached hereto are the following additional items necessary for entering the national phase in connection with the above-identified PCT international application.

☒ Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

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☐ The specification attached to the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney is a true copy of the specification which was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on , including any amendments thereto (if applicable) filed on

even date therewith.

☐ The undersigned hereby declares that "Attorney Docket No." on page 1 of the attached inventors' Declaration corresponds to Appl. No. filed entitled "."

☐ English language specification, claims, and Abstract with ( ) sheets of drawings.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

☒ Attached is a copy of Form PCT/DO/EO/905.

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☒ No extension fee is required because the undersigned has filed the documents within the allotted time given by the Notification of Missing Requirements (Form PCT/DO/EO/905). However, if for some reason it is determined that an extension of time is necessary, applicant hereby respectfully petitions for an extension of time for the filing of the present paper in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

☐ Applicant(s) hereby respectfully petitions for ( ) month(s) extension of time for the filing of the present paper in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. The required fee of \$0.00 is attached hereto.

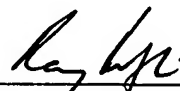
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- ☐ Submitted concurrently herewith **under separate cover** for recording is an Assignment.
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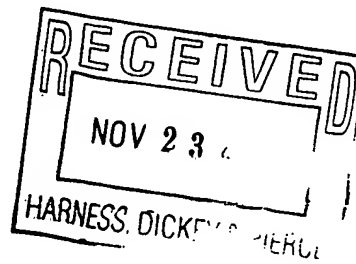
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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/22/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 04/22/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/22/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 04/22/2005
- Copy of Annexes to the IPE filed on 04/22/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 04/22/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 04/22/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 04/22/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 04/22/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 04/22/2005
- Specification filed on 04/22/2005
- Claims filed on 04/22/2005
- Drawings filed on 04/22/2005



The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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